

Alma Beck

1850-1950 Centennial Biography

Alma Beck, son of George and Annie Johnson Beck, was born April 23, 1877, in Lehi, Utah.

He was baptized a member of the Latter-day Saint Church in 1888.

He received his education in the Lehi Public Schools, and in 1898 was married to Sarah Fox, to which union were born eight children.

Employed in the mines at Eureka for some time, he later returned to Lehi, where he was employed by the Utah Fire Clay Company as Superintendent of the Clinton Clay Mine west of Lehi. This mine was discovered and developed by himself, his father, and brothers.

Later he also became superintendent of the underground clay mine at Five Mile Pass, Utah. He held this position from 1901 to the date of his death. He was the oldest employee in the company in point of service, having held this position faithfully for 38 years.

Even though a mine accident in 1907 resulted in the loss of his left elbow joint, which caused him great suffering throughout his life, he was never heard to complain and continued his work as faithfully and tirelessly as ever.

In 1930 he was ordained an Elder in the Church and received his endowments in the Salt Lake Temple.

A true Latter-day Saint, he never refused any task in the Church which he felt capable of performing.

In 1937, while at work in the Five Mile Mine, he suffered a heart attack which eventually resulted in his death July 27, 1939.